

# PLATTSBURG HAS 11,000 GRADUATES

11,000 men, green as the young grass to the duties of soldiering when they came, have gone back to their civilian lives, hardened and fit, their shoulders straightened by the pull of the pack, their legs hardened by long hikes and their eyes trained to looking over the sights of a service rifle.

## Thousands More Going.

A thousand more will go through the mill before the work of the Plattsburgh camp is done for the year. Among this thousand will be 230 who came to the public school for soldiers on June 5 and refuse to go away until Uncle Sam has declined to teach them any more this year.

One of the persistent 230 is Archie Roosevelt, who has been from a lowly position in the quartermaster's department of the June camp to top sergeant in July and August and will come back for the September-October gathering as a first lieutenant.

For the last camp of the year, which will last until October 5, 1,568 men have enrolled. It is believed by army officers that the physical examination will cut this number down to 1,000. They will go through the same course of drill which their predecessors have taken, three weeks of maneuvers and side practice about camp and a final week given up to field work and a long hike.

## Camp Had Fine Weather.

The camp which has just disbanded had the best weather and the best health of any during this season. Rain in June and heat in July caused many who attended these two gatherings to drop out from physical ailments. For

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## DANES PLAN NEW INDIES BILL

Government to Propose Inquiry Into Treaty Negotiations.

Copenhagen, Sept. 9.—The government will make another attempt to have the treaty for the sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States agreed to, and intends to submit a bill to the Rigsdag on Tuesday based upon the proposal made this week by the Conservative party.

The Conservatives suggested that, with the formation of a condition cabinet, a parliamentary committee be appointed to examine into the negotiations for the sale of the islands and to make a report thereon within a limited time. It was proposed that, after the making of the report, a plebiscite be held, probably about the middle of October.

The attitude of the Left and Conservative parties toward the government's bill is uncertain, and it is not known if general elections can be avoided.

## FRENCH LOAN AT 5 PER CENT

Subscriptions Will Be Unlimited in Amount.

Paris, Sept. 8.—The new French loan, which is announced by the Minister of Finance, M. Ribot, will be issued at 5 per cent, the same rate as the last loan, and subscriptions will be unlimited in amount.

Holders of national defense short and long term bonds will be allowed to exchange them for the new bonds. The date of the issue has not yet been fixed, but probably will be early in October.

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## COL. THURSTON DENIES HE'S DEAD

Commander of 74th Regiment Victim of Wild Rumor in Border Camp.

## REPORT OF BATTLE IS ALSO A CANARD

Militia on Rio Grande Are Reorganized Into Two New Brigades.

McAllen, Tex., Sept. 9.—All forenoon to-day regimental adjutants and the divisional staff were kept busy denying reports that Colonel N. B. Thurston, of the 7th New York Regiment, was dead. Telephone calls from New York and telegrams by the score brought inquiries about him. While the Colonel was not feeling well, he was well enough to reply that he was still alive. The rumor was finally traced to the orderlies at division headquarters. They had heard something which they telephoned broadcast to colonels of regiments. The regimental commanders, thinking the orderlies were acting on authority, spread the word that Colonel Thurston, the most popular officer on the border, was dead. Officers rushed to the telegraph office to send messages of condolence to friends in New York, and so the commotion was started.

But this was as nothing to the rumour that spread about during the afternoon. Soldiers went scurrying to camp on the double, excited by the report that a battle was in progress six miles away on the bank of the Rio Grande.

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# Sample Shoes for Simple Souls

Strange, indeed, is the potpourri of real and near leather offered the trusting public as "bargains in gen-u-wine samples." From the factory "rejects" bin, from ten-year-old "clean up" sales, from any place, seemingly, but the salesman's sample case, come the assembly of foot junk peddled in the "sample stores."

## Samuel Hopkins Adams

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Some of the other articles are "Pale Pink Coaxing to Houses of Hoaxing," "New Facts on Old Typewriters," and "Private Garages That Take in the Public."

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## Naval Rookies, Back, Rush for Baths and Everyday "Cits"

White Uniforms Discarded as Cruise Ends—Men at Once Sorry and Glad Their Month's Manoeuvres on Shipboard Have Been Completed.

Not since the President reviewed the Atlantic fleet in 1915 have there been so many sailors in this city as there were last night. Theatres and hotels were crowded with them and yet they passed unrecognized. A small slip of paper in each man's pocket attesting that he had been honorably discharged was the reason.

All were civilian volunteers who had received the privilege to cast off their undress white uniforms and had rushed ashore to a hot bath and everyday "cits." Only a heavy tan marked them as fresh from the sea.

Carrying their naval gear, stowed in mattress covers and lashed on with hammock ropes, they came ashore early in the morning. The three ships to whose crews they had belonged left their mooring in Gravesend Bay soon after daylight and anchored two hours later, the Maine and the New Jersey at the navy yard and the Kentucky off Ninety-sixth Street.

Men Routed Out at 4 A.M.

Aboard the Maine, which led the ships up the harbor, the volunteers were quartered from their hammocks at 4 o'clock. Half awake, the men gathered around the great copper kettles of black coffee served as an eyewinker at reveille each morning, to discuss what they would do when they got ashore.

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